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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 1—11

Major **Part B for** February 1898.

SUBJECT.

Lease of Forest to the Forest Department

1. From Nat. Commr. of Forests. No. 593-30 dated 24-2-98
Submits for orders Copies of Correspondence relating to the leasing out of plantations in the Forest
2. From Nat. Commr. of Forests. No. 1759-89 dated 24-9-97
Reports that petitions from [illegible] having received urging their prior claim to [illegible]
3. To The Secy. to Govt. No. 3605 dated 18-10-97.
Transfers the above for disposal
4. From The Secy: to Govt. No. 297 dated 5-11-97.
States that no action is necessary
5. From Nat. Commr. of Forests. No. 3624-211 dated 3-12-97
Will early move on his [illegible]

GPB—5,000—22-10-18

Do. dated 7-2-98. To Major Jones.

State that as an early settlement of the matter has to be made a meeting may be held & the matter discussed

Do. of 7-2-98. From Major Jones.

Acknowledges the above Do.

Do. of 9-2-98. From Major Jones.

State that the meeting will be held at the Race Course to-morrow

Do. of 10-2-98. From Major Jones

State that the meeting was held & returns the papers.

Do. of 10-2-98. From Col. Walker.

State that at the meeting held priority was accorded to the Claims of the I.S.R. & that the Town Council may be informed accordingly

2. Endorsement of Joint Sec. Maily: Agt & the Dc, B'lore. Nos. 995-9-61 & 17-2-98

Directs the renewal of the lease for a further period of one year in favour of the Town Council Sanitary Dept.

11. To the First Asst. Resident. No. 964 of 17-2-98.

Forwards Copies of the above Govt. Nos. for info.

Countersigned
[illegible]
20/2/98

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From Mr 269

Mr Conservator

Forest in Rupe

To, The Secretary to
Government of Ny
General and Revenu
Departments.

Dated 24th July 1897.

No 593
30 - Encl: fo

Submits copies of
correspondence for ord
in re right of gras
Government Plantat
leased out to Commissa
and Imperial Servi
Regiments

Submitted to Secty
[illegible]

Recd 27/7/97

Recd 27th July

The question of giving the British Military authorities some crop land is under correspondence with the Rev Depts.

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3/8/97

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The perusal of the lease in favor of the Land Deptt for the cultivation under the Crown referred, shows that the whole subject of the settlement from the Govt Deptt is, I understand, under the consideration of Govt and this will be settled when

3/8/97

Sent to Secretariat

C.

3-8-97

OFFICE OF THE

CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS IN MYSORE

Forests.

No. 593 / 30 Extract Dated 24th July 1907

From

COLONEL L. CAMPBELL WALKER,
Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Gen. and Rev. Departments.

SIR,

I have the honor to report that in November last the military Secretary to this Government enquired whether the grass in the Plantations or as he styled them "Reserved Havals" could be leased out to this Department for the use of the Imperial Service Regiment. I replied giving particulars of the number of Plantations annually leased to the Commissariat Department as well as to the Imperial Service Regiment and those released and available with an

expression of my opinion that the Imperial Service Regiment had the first call on the grass after that of ryots residing in the surrounding villages. I also informed him that the growth of grass is susceptible of great improvement by cutting in proper time & and that arrangements could be made to reserve the grass after hearing definitely from him.

2. On the 18th ultimo, the Chief Commissarial Officer, Bangalore, renewed his application for the lease of grass for 1897–98 in the marginally noted 8 Plantations hitherto leased by the Commissariat Department. I invited the attention of the Military

1 Kadgudi
2 Jindal
3 New Jadigena-halli.
4 Jattanur
5 Gunsandra.
6 Mallappana-halli
7 New Kurcanda-halli.
8 Gandrageliyura.

Secretary to my letter above referred to and requested an early reply which was to the effect that the Imperial Service Regiment wanted in addition to the Plantations leased by them last year, the grass in five* out of the above 5 Plantations. On my communicating this to the Chief Commissariat Officer (copy enclosed) he represented in his letter No: 3381 of 16th Instant (copy enclosed) that this Department has been purchasing the right for the last 6 years and had done much to improve the grass and that the supply of hay for mounted corps of the garrison would be seriously hampered if the 5 Plantations were taken away.

*1 Kadgudi
2 Jindal
3 new-Jadigena-halli
4 Jattanur
5 Punsandra.

No: 26/12 dt 2.7.9,

3 Under the circumstances I felt

bound to modify my first opinion that the Imperial Service Regiment had a prior claim, and have deemed it expedient to renew the leases to the Commissarial Department for the current official year without committing myself or the Durbar to any recognition of a right to indefinite renewal to the Commissarial Department or anyone else (copy of letters no: 466/75 & 467/76 of the 21st ult current to the Chief Commissariat Officer and the Military Secretary enclosed)

4. As I understand that the whole subject of the supply of grass to the commissariat and troops is under consideration, I bring the correspondence to the notice of Government for such

instructions as they may be pleased to issue with the request that they may not be such as to bind us to supply grass from the Plantations or State Forests to anyone should it be — advisable from a forest point of view not to cut or lease it out.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
your most obedient servant.

H Campbell Walker
Colonel
Conservator of Forests
in Mysore

OFFICE OF THE

CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS IN MYSORE.

No. 31
12

Dated 2nd July 1894.

From

THE CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS IN MYSORE.

To

The Chief Commissariat Officer
Bangalore District.

Sir,

Referring to your No. 2459 of 18th ult. I have the honor to inform you that the Military Secretary, Mysore State, informs me that the grass in the five Plantations marginally noted hitherto leased to your Department is required for the Imperial Service Regiment which has considered a fair claim.

2. Under these circumstances I shall feel obliged by your informing me if you wish to renew your lease for the three remaining (as per margin) and of the eight hitherto leased and if there are any others on the enclosed

1. Kadgudi
2. Sirdal
3. (New Jadi-gerahalli.
4. Tallanur.
5. Jannasandra.

1. Gandragolipura
2. Challaghattahalli.
3. Near Kurandi

enclosed list which would suit your re-
-quirements in which case I shall be glad
to let you have the grass from them if not
required by adjoining cultivators being of
course most anxious to meet your wishes.

I have &c
(Signed) J. Campbell Walker Col:
Conservator of Forests.

"Copy"

Appeal —

Vol. Conservator of Forests.

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No: 3381.

Chief Commissariat Office,
Bangalore District,
Bangalore, 16th July 1897.

From,

The Chief Commissariat-Officer,
Bangalore District.

To,

The Conservator of Forests in Mysore

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your No: 36/12 of the 2nd July in which you state that you consider the Mysore Imperial service Regiment has a prior claim to the grass in the five(5) Plantations marginally noted than have the mounted corps in the garrison.

1 Kadgudli
2 Bindal
3 Nin-jadigen-halli.
4 Attimur
5 Jannasandra

2. I would beg to point out that this is the seventh year running that this Department has leased (amongst others) these Plantations from yours - that it has increased the yield and improved the quality of the grass - that you wish to take away the five(5) best and most conveniently situated [illegible]

Plantations now leased - that you offer in exchange a choice of certain other Plantations "if not required by the adjoining cultivators" which I would remark would long ago have been applied for, had they been considered suitable which they are not, either owing to the growth of thorns &c or to a want of proper communications - and that if the lease of these five(5) Plantations is taken away, the supply of hay to the mounted corps in this garrison will be seriously hampered, which is a matter of such importance that if after reading the above you are unable to alter your decision I would ask you to kindly allow the matter to remain in abeyance, until it can be placed before the Resident

I have &c

"Copy" /Sd/ G. F. Watson major

A.C.G.

Chief Commissariat Officer

Colchester

To Commissariat Officer Penang

Straits Settlements

OFFICE OF THE

CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS IN MYSORE.

No. 464
75

Dated 21st July 189?

From

THE CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS IN MYSORE.

To

The Chief Commissariat Officer
Bangalore.

SIR,

Referring to correspondence ending with your No. 3381 of 16th Instant, I have the honor to inform you that I have reconsidered the matter and as you state that if the fine plantations under reference are taken away "the supply of hay to the mounted corps in the garrison will be seriously hampered" you may retain them together with the other Circles on the usual terms for the current year on which may, as requested in your No. 2459 of 18th ultimo, be considered to extend up to 31st March 1898.

The necessary instructions to Divisional

Forest Officers concerned will issue orders.

2. You will however kindly understand that this concession must not be construed into the recognition on my part of the Duration of a right of renewal of such leases indefinitely which you will readily understand might be inconvenient either from a forest point of view or general principles beyond my province which are, I believe, under consideration by the highest authorities who will doubtless settle them within the year.

I have &c

(Signed) J. Campbell Walker Col:
Conservator of Forests.

Copy

Forwarded

for Conservator of Forests.

Bulk

OFFICE OF THE

CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS IN MYSORE.

No: 467/76

Dated 21st July 1892

From

THE CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS IN MYSORE.

To

The Military Secretary
to the Government of Mysore.

Sir,

Referring to your No: 2757 of 30th ultimo, I have the honor to inform you that as the Chief Commissariat Officer represents that the withdrawal of the 5 Plantations marginally noted the grass in which has been leased to this Department for the past 6 years would seriously hamper the supply of hay to the mounted corps in the garrison, I have agreed to allow him to retain them on the usual terms for the current official year so as to give time for

1 Kadigudi
2. Jindal
3. Newgedigenhalli
4 Jatanur.
5 Gannalandur.

consideration of the whole subject which is, I believe, before the higher authorities of both Governments.

2. I presume you will retain the 11 Plantations* marginally noted usually leased by you for the Imperial Service Regiment and enclose a list of 8 others within a radius of 28 miles from Bangalore some of which might suit your requirements.

*1 Peenya
2. Kodasirahalli
3. Nagarbhavi
4. Jarkebande A+
5 Machohalli
6. Bettahalli
7 Arkavati
8 Govindapura
9 Mullathalli
10 Kenchenahalli
11. Nellal A; A+6

I have etc
/Sd/ D. Campbell Walker colonel
Conservator of Forests.
in Mysore

"Copy"
Bhappaya
Conservator of Forests
in Mysore

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Submitted to Secty
WPO
8.10.97.

HL 9/10/97

No 3655
7C-180 9/10/97

Transferred to the Military Department.

Chief Secretary
Secy GL & Rev Dept
15/10/97

Submitted
WL
17/10/97

No action necessary at present. RS

7C-174 1897-98 2386
From (Nilgiris) R 1478

The Conservator of Forests
N.S. DFS
in reply

To The Secretary to Government,
General and Revenue Department
3957

dated
despatched } 26th September 1897

No 1759.
89

Reporting for information of Government that petitions have been received from the villagers urging their prior claims to the grass in the plantations leased out to the Commissariat and Imperial Service Regiments respectively.

RW 27-9-97

May this
the Government
petition belong to

17/10

The letter referred to within was sent to D. 9.0. on 4/8/97 for Collector's A.M. 20 Nov

DB 7/10/97

OFFICE OF THE
CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS IN MYSORE.

Rev. Forests

No. 1759
89

Dated 24th September 1897.

From

COLONEL L. CAMPBELL WALKER,
Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Gen and Rev. Departments.

Sir,

In continuation of my No.
593
30
of 24th July, I have the honor to
report that the Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore, and myself have received
petitions from villagers urging their
prior claims to the grass in the Gaudra
-golipura, Nellal and old Jadigenahalli
Plantations leased out to the Commissariat
and Imperial Service Regiments respect-
-ively.
2. They allege that when the land was
originally taken up for planting of

they were promised the first offer of the grass or pastwage when available and that they are willing to pay same rates as Commissariat and Imperial Service Regiments viz as 2 per acre for right of cutting the grass.

This may be the case but the require-ments of the Commissariat and Imperial Service Regiments have to be met somehow and if the grass were leased to the villagers there is no guarantee that they might not re-sell it to Com-missariat Contractors at higher rates moreover I understand that before the grass in the Plantation was leased to the Commissariat & we could obtain only nominal offers for it from the villagers.

3. The matter appears to me one of

Considerable importance and deserving the consideration of Government in communication with the British Resident. Meanwhile the villagers have been informed that this year's leases cannot be interfered with but that their representations will receive due consideration.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant

[illegible]

For Conservator of Forests.

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Repo

From Aberdare

The Military ~~Secretary~~ to the Government of Mysore.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Mysore

Dated Genl & Rev. Details

Despatched 5th Forwarded

Received

General No. 297
No.

Endorsement No. /

Reference your note Endorsement No 3603 of the 18 October 1897 on the enclosed — a — as the files on the Grass & Kanaal Questions have been returned to your office, I return you this letter as it should I think be recorded with those papers.

No action appears at present necessary.

If the Diwan eventually gives the Commissariat Department all the grass lands

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they want, the question in the enclosed will become a purely local one between the Imperial Service troops and the Khapers & no reference to the Resident will be required

A. Ford Major
Military Assistant

HC

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5 & 7C-316

The grant of [illegible] under the Hon'ble Sardar is decided.

From

The Conservator of Forests in Burma.

To

The Secretary to Government, General and Revenue Department

Dated. 2nd February 1898.

Despatched. 3rd — do —

Received.

No. 3624/211.

Solicits early orders regarding the leases of the grass in the plantations to the Imperial Service Regiment and Commissariat Department.

Rev 4/2/98

Subd for orders.

The question has to be seen till

"the grant of 800 ... under the Hon Kote Sault is decided.

From

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1698

To the Gener

Dated Ro Off 9 Decem-
I have received D.D.
le Clerc & Col. Campbell
Mackay & Alexander Mc
& Major Jones. This
may be given until
they send us a reply.
Please see
Council Min. of 7-2-98.

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Secr
Dep

x Hon. Sir
The Marquis
Chisholm &
Lord Strathcona
when he
takes place
in Cy' & the proposed
grant of 800
acres W[est]
of Ld. under Comm.
RJ[?]
7/11/98

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connexions to initiate measures to increas
the output and improve the quality
of the hay which will entail a certain
amount of expenditure which will be
well repaid.

3. It would, however, be premature
to do anything till Government decide
on the respective claims of the Imperial
Service Regiment the Commissariat
and Rayats of adjoining villages to priority
in respect of the produce which I am
informed the Rayats only claim in
order to re sell it.

4. There must be ample areas at the
disposal of Government available within
a radius of 20 miles of Bangalore to meet
all requirements if properly managed
as grass farms such as exist in the
neighbourhood of all important Stations
in Northern India and should I consider
be started here either by the [illegible]

Department or other Government agency.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

[illegible]

Conservator of Forests

in Nigeria

7:7.22.97
21.5 — Dr. Sent to Col. Campbell Walker Col. Messervy Mrs & Major Jones 7.2.98

Bangalore
7th February 1898

My dear Major Jones

The lease of certain plantations rented to the Commissariat Department expires on 31st March next. As very early settlement has to be come to of the question whether the lease should be renewed or not the correspondence on the

subject is pending before Govern-
-ment. I am desired to request
you and Col Campbell Walker
and Col Desaraj urs to be so
good as to hold an informal meeting
among yourselves and to submit
your views for the final orders of
Government as early as possible.

You may consult the Deputy
Commissioner also if necessary.

I have written a similar
to the same effect to Cols Campbell
Walker and Desaraj urs.

I am Dear Sir
Yours very sincerely
[illegible]

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My dear Mr Irwin. Simla.

I wrote a line
to acknowledge
receipt of yr. D.O.
desiring me to
discuss the question
of reviving the
Const. Canals
with Col. Clarke

The C. Smith

Journal

7/7/98

Forest Clerk

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

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Dear Mr Trevor Lewis

We are making [illegible]
for ably at the Race
Course & will take
the photos you have
to kill rest
each time.

Yours
[illegible]

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Feb 1899

receipt of the
will (of
the late
Dear Mr Srinivasa Iyengar.

10/2/1899

We have had our
informal meeting
& I return herewith
the papers which
you kindly sent me
with your note of
the 9th

Yours sincerely

10/2

Bangalore
6. 2. 98.

Dear Sir,

As requested in your D.O of 7th instant I conferred informally with the Military Assistant and Chief Commandant on the subject of Plantations leased to the Commissariat Department and required for the use of the Imperial Service Regiment.

Those officers naturally urged that the claims of the Imperial Service Regiment should have priority and I agree with them and would recommend that the Commissariat Department be so informed so that they may make other arrangements for the year commencing 1st April next.

At the same time I should invite your attention to the protest and arguments of the Chief Commissariat officer in his No: 3381 of 16th July 1897 to my address copy of which accompanied my No: 593/30 of 26th idem to you regarding which I need only remark that

that I do not find the Commissariat Department has done anything to improve the growth of grass in the Plantations leased to it.

Presuming that the matter as between the Imperial Service Regiment and the Commissariat can now be disposed of by Government there will remain the question of the claims recently advanced by certain villagers to priority on the ground that they were promised it when the land was taken up for planting by the Forest Department. This formed subject of my no: 1759/89 dated 24th September 1897 to your address and Colonel Desaraj Urs and Major Jones admit that it falls within a different category to the claims of the Commissariat.

The District Forest Officer and Deputy Commissioner support the villagers' claim but I have asked for a more definite opinion on the following points.

(a) Was such a promise ever made?

(b) Is the grass essential, and if so to what extent, to

(c) Can we control their entry and cutting to same extent as we can that of the Imperial Service Regiment or Commissariat people and will they consent to carry out measures of improvement such as trenching and manuring?

On receipt of replies, I shall address you again. But this need not defer the settlement of the Commissariat matter which was specially referred by your do.

Yours truly
H Templeworther

O. Srinivasiengar Esqr
Secy General and Revenue Secretary.

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Correspondence regarding
re ~~Lease for 99 and 30 yrs~~
Ukerewe No 3624 21/8/97 ~~Do~~
~~dated 7th Aug 1897~~ the 20th Feby 98
from the Commissioner of Forests
re ~~Lease~~ renewal of the leases
re Mayaone re the ~~lease~~ renewal
of the grant of certain Plants
-tions to the British Com-
-missioner dated ~~Mayaone~~
~~Expired Leases Regulations~~.

Read also D.O. correspondence on the subject
and my ~~re~~ ~~Memorandum~~ letter of the 10th Inst
thereto letter of the 10th Inst

Order.

Certain Plantations are now held on lease by the British Commissioner - That lease expires on 31st March 1898 - On the renewal of the lease, objection is taken both by the villagers concerned and by the Military Authorities of the State - Pending however the ~~question of the~~ disposal of the application made by the British Military authorities for a grant of the occupancy of 800 acres of land under Ukerewe the Hon'ble Collector and D the Land Officer

~~I do direct that the claim of~~
~~the Imperial Government~~
~~the claim of~~
~~the Imperial Government~~
~~to the~~
~~grant of the said plantations~~
~~on the north part of~~
~~plantations near Bukoba~~
~~and meet half the~~
~~annual requirements~~

Read -

Correspondence endg
with letter No 3624/211 dated
the 2d February 1898 from
the Conservator of Forests
in Mysore in re the
renewal or determinatio
of the lease of the grass of
certain Plantations to
the British Commissariat
Department.

Read also -

H. O. correspondence
on the subject endg
with the Conservator
of Forests' letter dd of the
10th Idem urging the claim
of the Imperial Service
Regiment to the grass
of the said Plantations
as the supply from
certain other plantation
leased to the Regiment
only meets half the
annual requirement

Order thereon — No. 1099-01 / [illegible] 23 /

Certain Plantations are now held on lease by the Commissariat Department. That lease expires on 31st March 1898. In the renewal of the lease, objection is taken both by the villagers concerned and by the Military Department of the State. Pending however the disposal of the application made by the British Military authorities for a grant of the occupancy of 800 acres of land under irrigation between the Koshota Tank and the Lagondi Village for the purpose of raising grass thereon, Government are pleased to direct that the British Commissariat Department be allowed [illegible]

the lease of the Plantation
above referred to on
existing terms for another
year commencing from
1st April 1898. The Con-
servator of Forests will
be good enough to issue
instructions accordingly.
The extension of time
now granted will, it
is hoped, enable the
Commissariat Dept.
to make other arrange-
ments for procuring
the supply of grass re-
quired for the mounted
corps of the garrison
Encl 6
On the expiry of the lease
now granted orders will
be passed on the completing
claims now under the
consideration of Govern-
ment.

Secretary

To
The Conservator of Forests in Mysore
" Military Assistant to the Resident in Mysore
" Deputy Commissioner
Bangalore Bowring

No 1160
Pol 259 17/2/98

To

The Private Assistant to the
Resident Minister

Sir,

I am directed to forward for the information of the Resident the accompanying communication to the Municipal Council, a copy of which is enclosed, as received from the Municipal Secretary.

The Council desire that the Government may be informed that certain declarations have been made by the Municipal Council, which they request may be returned for another year commencing from 1st April 98.

I have &c

[illegible]

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15/2/98